

extra commercial usage in the hotels etc., so that the Budget Hotels are promoted.

(c) The names of some of the hotels in Chandigarh costing less than Rs. 1000 are Amar, Alankar, Chandigarh, Divyadeep, Gravity, Jullundur, Samrat and Satyadeep.

Development of tourist places in Ajmer and Pushkar region

**†1451. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
DR. PRABHA THAKUR:**

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Rajasthan has sent proposals to the Central Government for development of tourist places in Ajmer and Pushkar region;

(b) whether these proposals also include the proposal of cleaning and conservation of famous Tirathraj Pushkar lake and cleanliness of world known Khawaja Moinuddin Chisti's Dargah area and maintenance, of its nearby roads and construction of a Vishram Sthal; and

(c) the details of the decision taken by the Central Government on the said proposals?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) An amount of Rs.434.04 lakh has been sanctioned for Integrated Development of Pushkar in District Ajmer in the year 2005-06.

Following projects have been prioritized for the State of Rajasthan in the year 2006-07.

Destination

1. Ajmer Sharif
2. Jaisalmer

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Circuits

1. Eco Tourism Circuit
2. Floodlighting of monuments

Events/Festivals

1. Heritage Festival
2. Rajasthan Day Celebration
3. Pushkar Fair
4. Desert Festival

Project proposals received from the State Governments/Union Territories that are complete in all respect are examined as per scheme guidelines and approved on the basis of *inter-se* priority and funds released subject to availability under respective head.

A list of projects sanctioned for the State of Rajasthan during the Tenth Plan period is enclosed as Statement.

Statement***Development of Tourist Places in Ajmer and Pushkar Region*****Statement showing projects sanctioned to the State of Rajasthan during Tenth Plan**

(Rs. in lakh)

SI. No.	Name of Projects/Scheme	Amount sanctioned
1	2	3
2002-2003		
1.	SEL Show at Kumbhalgarh	195.00
2.	SEL Show at Chittorgarh	206.10
3.	General lighting at Kumbhalgarh	33.60
4.	Signages	25.00
5.	Public Utility Complexes at Ramgarh, Fatehpur, Nawalgarh, Dhundlod, Mukundgarh, Mandawa, Kuchhaman	92.00

1	2	3
6.	Upgradation of transport terminal at mandawa, Mukundgarh, Nawalgarh	75.00
7.	Jaipur heritage Week Celebration	15.00
8.	Public Utility Complex at Amer Fort, Hawa Mahal and Albest Hall	54.00
9.	Landscaping plantation fencing illumination at Fatehpur, Nawalgarh, Mandawa, Khimsar, Ramgarh, Dhundlod	105.00
10.	Lok Rang Festival	5.00
11.	Conservation of Nahargarh Fort	100.00
12.	Conservation and Restoration of Baland Darwaza, Chisti Dargah and Chattries of Nagaur	103.00
13.	Conservation Restoration and Development of Royal Cenotaph and Devikund Sagar, Bikaner	90.00
TOTAL:		1098.70

2003-2004

1.	Restoration work at Jaisalmer Fort	82.30
2.	Purchase of Swiss Cottages, Deluxe Cottages & Luxury cottages for Pushkar	100.00
3.	Integrated development of Pushkar under destination development	500.00
	(i) Dormitories for Visitors at Mela Ground at Pushkar	150.00
	(ii) Stadium and tent platform at Pushkar	74.48
	(iii) Sulabh Sauchalaya at Mela Ground at Pushkar	14.09
	(iv) Development works at Pushkar Ghats	261.43
4.	Civil & Electric Works at Kumbhalgarh Fort	89.36
5.	Civil & Electric works concerning SEL Show at Chittorgarh Fort	70.75
6.	Construction of Visharamsthal at Dargah Sharif at Ajmer	187.00
7.	Renovation of Visharamsthal at Pushkar road, Ajmer	68.50
8.	Development works at Chetak Samadhi at Haldi Ghati	52.08
9.	Development works at Rakt Talai at Haldi Ghati	92.82
10.	Development works at Badshahi Bagh at Haldi Ghati	82.66

1	2	3
11.	Development of Masuria Hills (Veer Durga Das Smarak), Jodhpur	152.34
12.	Development of Samode Village (Distt. Jaipur)	50.00
13.	Development of Neemrana Village (Distt. Alwar)	50.00
14.	Virasat Festival, Jaipur	15.00
TOTAL:		1410.51
2004-05		
1.	Development of National Capital Region Tourist Circuit in Rajasthan under the Scheme of Integrated Development of Tourist Circuit	738.00
2.	Development of Hadoti Tourist Circuit in Rajasthan under scheme for Integrated Development of Tourist Circuit	725.10
3.	Mounting of Sound & Light Show at Amber Fort, Jaipur	129.26
4.	Development of an Elephant Village (Hathi Gram) at Amber, Jaipur	492.18
5.	IT Project Scheme for translation of the existing Rajasthan tourism portal into five other languages	24.42
6.	Development of Amber Fort Complex at Jaipur	333.33
7.	Jaipur Heritage International Festival, 2005	15.00
8.	GOI-UNDP Endogenous Tourism Project at village Samode in Jaipur Distt.	20.00
9.	GOI-UNDP Endogenous Tourism Project at village Haldighati in Rajasamand Distt.	19.32
10.	GOI-UNDP Endogenous Tourism Project at village Neemrana in Alwar Distt.	20.00
11.	Organizing Paragliding	2.45
TOTAL:		2519.06

2005-06

1.	Mounting of Sound and Light Show at Amber Fort, Jaipur	129.26
2.	Development of Hawa Mahal and Jantar Mantar at Jaipur under Destination Development Scheme	464.32

1	2	3
3.	Integrated Development of Mewar-Vagad Circuit comprising of places in Udaipur-Rajasamand-Chittorgarh-Banswara-Doongarpur Districts as Tourist Circuit	580.00
4.	Development of Brij Bhoomi religious Tourist circuit comprising of Mathura, Vrindavan, Barsana, Jheel, Kalia Devi, Poonchari, Neelkanth, Bharthrihari in Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh	477.07
5.	Integrated Development of Pushkar (District Ajmer as a Tourist Destination)	434.04
6.	Celebration of Jaipur Heritage International Festival, 2006	15.00

TOTAL:

2099.69

2006-07

1.	Integrated Development of Udaipur as a Tourist Destination	276.68
2.	Conservation, Restoration and Preservation of Gagron Fort, Jhalawar Distt., Rajasthan under Destination Dev. Scheme	281.71
3.	Rajasthan Day, 2007	10.00
4.	Jaipur Heritage International Festival, 2007	10.00
5.	Pushkar Fair, 2006	05.00
6.	Desert Festival, 2007	05.00

TOTAL:

588.39

Promotion of tourism in Orissa

1452. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether tourism can contribute to Gross Domestic Product in a big way and generate ample employment opportunities in the backward regions;
- (b) whether tourism has not picked up substantially in the backward State of Orissa, though it has good potential in this sector, as it gets one of the lowest tourist headcount in the country;